

Remarks

Applicant's invention, as defined in amended claim 1 is a method of making a Bowman-Birk, Inhibitor concentrate *consisting essentially of* the enumerated steps. Claims 1, 4-7, and 9-16 are pending in this RCE application.

Rejection Under 35 §USC 103 (a)

Claims 1, 4-7 and 9-16 are rejected under 35 §USC 103 (a) as obvious over US Patent No. 5,505,946 ('946). Example 1 of '946 meets the largest majority of the present invention. However, this Example does not teach using two acetone extractions as does amended claim 1. This Example does not teach agitating the acid/soybean slurry for an hour or using all of the acid pHs as claimed. Further, '946 does not specifically teach a Bowman-Birk, inhibitor with the protein and chymotrypsin inhibitor activity as does the present invention. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.

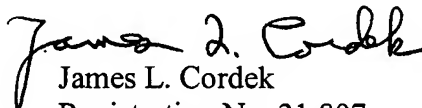
For the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the present claims are in condition for allowance. The foregoing remarks are believed to be a full and complete response to the outstanding office action. Therefore favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. If for any reason the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, it is respectfully requested that she call Applicant's representative at 314.982.2409.

If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0421.

Respectfully submitted,

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